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Your Kirkland Recycling Guide



THINK GREEN.®

No shredded paper.
It is accepted in food/yard carts.

Recycling

Clean recyclables go in your blue recycling cart

*Ignore the numbers
on plastic containers.*

Clean Paper & Newspaper

Newspaper, inserts

Mail, envelopes

Cereal,
dry food boxes
(remove liner)

Paperback books

Magazines, catalogs,
phone books

Non-foil
wrapping paper

Frozen food boxes

Ice cream containers

Juice boxes (no straws)

Paper cups (no lids)

Milk, soy milk & broth cartons



Plastic Bottles, Jugs, Cups, Tubs & Bags

Empty and rinse. Labels OK; no lids or caps

Plastic water & soda bottles
(no lids or caps)

Yogurt, dairy & margarine
tubs (no lids)

Plastic cups (no lids or straws)

Shampoo & conditioner bottles
(no caps)

Window, bathroom &
kitchen cleaner bottles
(remove lid or sprayer)

Detergent jugs (no caps)

Over-the-counter pill bottles
(no prescription vials)

NEW! Bagged plastic grocery bags



*New! Bagged
plastic grocery
bags now
accepted in
recycling.*

Cardboard

Flatten



Glass Jars & Bottles

Empty and rinse.

Labels OK; no lids or caps



Cans and Foil

Empty and rinse out food residue.

Labels OK; no lids

Soda cans

Metal food cans

Aerosol cans (empty and non-toxic)

Aluminum foil & trays (clean)



Scrap Metal

*Metal items under 2 ft. long and 35 pounds are accepted in your cart. **No wood, plastic or rubber attachments or casings. No sharp metal or greasy metals parts are accepted.***

Common Household Scrap Metal items include:

- **Utensils** (remember – nothing sharp!)
- **Pots and pans** (handles OK)
- **Small appliances made mostly from metal** (like toasters, irons & some light fixtures)
- **Fireplace grates and BBQ parts**
- **Small automotive and bicycle parts** (no grease, please!)
- **Decorative items** (candlestick holders, knobs, handles & metal lamps)
- **Broken or worn-out tools and fasteners**
- **Metal pipe and fittings**
- **Metal ducts, grates and air vents**



**Recycling
is collected
weekly**

- Empty clean recyclables out of bags and boxes into the cart so that they can be easily sorted.
- Put all recycling in your blue recycling cart.
- Blue recycling carts are emptied **weekly**.

No cost for extra recycling: Put extra recycling in Kraft paper bags, cardboard boxes or 32-gallon containers with handles and lid. Please label "Recycle."



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Food & Yard Waste

These go in your gray yard & food cart

Where does it go?

Food scraps and yard waste are processed into compost and sold at home and garden stores.

For more information visit cgcompost.com.

Food Scraps & Leftovers

Fruit & vegetable scraps



Leftovers

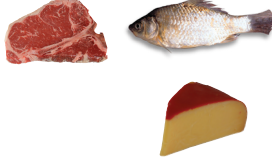
Bread, pasta, grains



Eggshells, nutshells



Meat, fish, poultry



Beans

Dairy products
(yogurt, cheese, etc.)



No plastic, glass metal, diapers or pet waste.

Food-Soiled Paper

Greasy pizza boxes

Coffee filters & teabags

Food-soiled paper towels, napkins

Shredded paper (*layered*)

Paper grocery bags containing food scraps

Paper egg & berry cartons

Waxed paper & cardboard

Uncoated (*non-shiny*) paper plates & bags



Plants, Flowers & Lawn Trimmings

Houseplants (*no pots*)

Tree branches
(*under 4' long, 4" in diameter*)

Holiday trees,
Jack-o-lanterns (*remove candle*)

Weeds, twigs, branches, roots

Grass clippings, leaves



No fats, oil or grease in food/yard waste. Harden and put in garbage.

Approved Compostable Packaging

Bowls, cups, plates and takeout containers
(*more items at gogreenscene.com*)



Collect food scraps. It's easy to do.

1. Use a collection method that works for you.

- A collander or strainer
- A paper grocery bag
- A reusable plastic, metal, or ceramic container with a lid
- Newspaper
- An approved compostable bag (gogreenscene.com)



2. Empty your container into the food/yard cart frequently.

3. Layer food scraps with yard waste, newspaper or shredded paper to absorb liquids.

No cost for extra yard waste: Put extra yard waste in Kraft paper bags or 32-gallon containers with handles and lid (*65 pound limit*). Please label "Yard."

The City of Kirkland offers free kitchen food scrap pails. You can pick up a container at Public Works, Kirkland City Hall at 123 5th Avenue, Monday-Friday, 8 AM-5 PM.



Food/yard waste is collected weekly

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Garbage

Bag these and put them in your garbage

Non-recyclable Plastic

Take-out containers

Styrofoam™, packing peanuts
(recycle at your local shipping store instead)

Caps and lids

Plastic wrap

Empty motor oil &
antifreeze containers

Plastic bakery &
meat trays

Plastic plates & utensils

Empty prescription vials

Garden hoses

Non-recyclable Glass

Mirrors, window glass

Ceramics, dishes

Incandescent &
halogen light bulbs only
(Fluorescent light bulbs
and tubes need special
disposal — see next page)

Non-recyclable Metal

Caps, lids

Oil containers

Hardened latex paint
in cans (remove lid)

Sharp or
greasy metal

Clothes hangers
(return to drycleaners)

Small non-working
appliances
(humidifiers, hair dryers,
coffee makers etc.)

Latex paint is not accepted at hazardous waste facilities. Use kitty litter or paint hardener to solidify latex paint. Once dry and hardened, please dispose of latex paint in your garbage container.

Non-recyclable Paper

Disposable diapers

Ribbons, foil
wrapping paper

Dirty paper, facial tissue

Hardcover books

Donate books to a local charity or school.

Use rechargeable batteries. The City of Kirkland accepts rechargeable batteries for recycling at Kirkland City Hall.

Garbage is collected weekly

Please:

- Bag all garbage.
- Double bag pet waste and kitty litter, packing pellets, and cold ashes.

Garbage charges are based on container size. There is a charge for extra garbage that doesn't fit in your container with the lid closed.

Bulky items like mattresses, appliances, and building materials can be picked up by special arrangement for a fee. Call Waste Management customer service at 1 (800) 592-9995.

Can/Cart Weight Limit

Micro-can	20 lbs
Mini-cans / 20 gal carts	40 lbs
35 gal cart	60 lbs
64 gal cart	120 lbs
96 gal cart	180 lbs

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More Service Offerings

The following curbside services are available to Kirkland residents at no additional cost.

Compact Fluorescent Light Bulb (CFLs) Collection

By request, Waste Management will provide Kirkland residents with a cushioned and re-sealable bag to recycle CFLs. Fill up the bag with burnt out bulbs, seal it, and place it on your recycling cart on your regularly scheduled collection day. Please call Waste Management customer service at 1 (800) 592-9995 to request a bag. A bag will be mailed to you. Once full, please place at the curb on of your regularly scheduled collection day.



Christmas Tree Collection

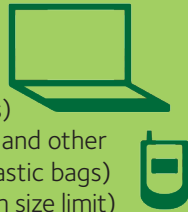
Curbside collection of whole, unflocked trees will occur during the first two weeks of January at no additional cost. Alternatively, you can place small, cut up pieces of the tree in your food/yard waste cart. Please remove all tinsel from the tree.



Place these items two feet from your carts:

By advance request only

- Computers, CPUs, monitors, keyboards and peripherals
 - Cell phones (in clear plastic bags)
 - PDAs, MP3 players, calculators, and other handheld electronics (in clear plastic bags)
 - DVDs, VCRs, and TVs (21" screen size limit)
 - Stereos, copy machines, scanners, and microwaves
- Limit** 2 ft. x 2 ft., 60 pounds



Call 1 (800) 592-9995 to schedule an appointment.

Reusable Clothing & Linens

Put in clear plastic bag

Motor Oil

Place in transparent 1-gallon milk jugs with screw-on lids. Label with your name and address. **Limit** 2 gallons per week.



Collection Guidelines



Weather Delay?

If weather conditions prevent safe collection, up to twice as much garbage, recyclables, and yard waste will be collected at no extra charge on your next regular collection day. No credits will be issued for collection delayed due to weather. Visit wmnorthwest.com/weatherboard for up to date weather delay information.



Holiday Schedule

Waste Management provides collection service on all holidays except Thanksgiving, Christmas Day (Dec. 25) and New Years Day (Jan. 1). If your

collection day falls on or any day after any of these holidays, your scheduled collection will be delayed by one day that week only.

Place carts at curb by 7AM

- Two (2) feet apart with lids opening to street
- At least three (3) feet from cars, trees and mailboxes
- Please take containers in as soon as possible after collection

Visit wmnorthwest.com/kirkland or call **1 (800) 592-9995** (M-F 7AM-5PM) for:

- **Missed collection**
- **Missing/damaged carts**
- **Changes in service levels**
- **Bulky item collection** (*mattresses, appliances, etc.*)
- **Electronics or CFL recycling**
- **Construction/demolition containers** (*remodeling, etc.*)

Have questions about your utility bill or want to set up up new service? Contact Kirkland Utility Billing at utilitybilling@kirklandwa.gov or call (425) 587-3150.

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What Do I Do With...?

Needles/Syringes Used needles and syringes are dangerous in garbage and recycling because they can injure residents, collectors, and sorters, as well as spread disease.

- Take syringes to a pharmacy
- Use sharps by mail – thinkgreenfromhome.com



Unwanted Medicines

- takebackyourmeds.org

Batteries (rechargeable, button, lead acid automobile, UPS)

- thinkgreenfromhome.com
- call2recycle.org



Styrofoam™ Many shipping stores take Styrofoam™ back for reuse. For a listing of stores visit kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith.

Oil-Based Paint, Chemicals, Pesticides, Propane Tanks & Automobile Fluids



Wastemobile The Wastemobile travels throughout King County to provide household hazardous waste disposal. Hours of operation are 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. For a complete listing of items accepted and dates when it will be in the vicinity of Kirkland, visit govlink.org (search “Wastemobile”)

The Factoria Household Hazardous Waste

Drop-Off Site Tuesday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Closed Mondays. No appointment needed. 13800 S.E. 32nd St., Bellevue

- lhwmp.org
- (206) 296-4692

The City of Kirkland offers household battery recycling! Take your used household batteries to one of the locations below:

Kirkland City Hall, 123 5th Ave. (including rechargeables)

Kirkland Library, 308 Kirkland Ave.

North Kirkland Community Center, 12421 103rd Ave. NE

Peter Kirk Community Center, 352 Kirkland Ave.

Parks Office, 505 Market St.

Public Works Maintenance Center, 915 8th St.

Waste Prevention is Even Better Than Recycling!



Before you buy, use or discard an item, ask yourself:

Reduce: Can I buy this product with less packaging?

Reuse: Can I or someone else use this again?

Recycle: Can I recycle this after I use it?

Buy Recycled: Can I get this item with recycled content?

More Resources

City of Kirkland Recycling Hotline

kirklandwa.gov • (425) 587-3812
recycle@kirklandwa.gov

City of Kirkland Utility Billing

(425) 587-3150 • utilitybilling@kirklandwa.gov

Waste Management

wmnorthwest.com/kirkland • 1 (800) 592-9995

What Do I Do With?

kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith
(206) 296-4466

Directory of where to take hard to dispose of items.

800RECYCLE • 1800recycle.wa.gov
800-RECYCLE (732-9253)

Statewide materials recycling database.

Household Hazardous Waste

lhwmp.org • (206) 296-4692

Information on hazardous waste including items accepted, facility locations and hours.

Take it Back Network

takeitbacknetwork.org • (206) 296-4466

Electronics and mercury-containing fluorescent bulbs and tubes recyclers.

Free exchanges to buy, sell or give away reusable items

kingcounty.gov/exchange
seattle.craigslist.org
2good2toss.com
freecycle.org

E-cycle Washington

ecyclewashington.org

800-RECYCLE (732-9253)

Free recycling locations for electronics including computers, monitors and TVs.

Illegal Dumping Hotline

(206) 296-SITE (7483)

Hotline to report illegal dumping issues.

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